

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles
County,

Complainant,

v.

Southern California Edison Company,

Defendant.

Case 99-10-037
(Filed October 27, 1999)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND
DIRECTING PARTIES TO MEET AND CONVER BEFOREHAND**

Prehearing Conference (PHC): By Decision (D.) 02-09-025, the Commission granted rehearing of D.02-04-051, a previous decision in this case, "in order to provide the parties with an opportunity for an evidentiary hearing regarding the third cause of action of the District's complaint." (D.02-09-025, Ordering Paragraph 1.) To clarify the factual and legal issues in dispute regarding the third cause of action and to set a schedule for further proceedings, the Commission will convene a PHC by telephone:

October 25, 2002

10:00 a.m.

**California Public Utilities Commission Court Room
State Office Building
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California 94102**

The Commission will originate the call to County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County (District) and to Southern California Edison (Edison). The telephone numbers of record are the following: District (415) 392-7900, and Edison (626) 302-6819. If a different telephone number should be used for the PHC, the party must provide that number to me by e-mail (Vieth@cpuc.ca.gov) on or before October 22, 2002.

The parties are advised that a PHC is a formal proceeding of the Commission and a court reporter will be present. Each party or its authorized representative must be present by telephone and be fully informed and prepared to discuss, with specificity, the party's contentions and schedule proposals.

Meet and Confer: Prior to the PHC, District and Edison are directed to meet and confer in good faith to determine whether they can resolve this dispute informally and in the alternative, to discuss and attempt to fashion a joint proposal for distribution of prepared testimony. The parties shall present their schedule proposal at the PHC and shall be prepared to discuss their availability for evidentiary hearing.

Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. A prehearing conference (PHC) will be held in this proceeding by telephone at the date and time set out above.
2. Each party, or its authorized representative, must be present by telephone.
3. Each party or its representative shall be fully informed and prepared to discuss, with specificity, the party's contentions and schedule proposals.
4. Prior to the PHC, the parties are directed to meet and confer in good faith to determine whether they can resolve this dispute informally, or in the alternative, to discuss and attempt to fashion a joint proposal for distribution of

prepared testimony. The parties shall present their schedule proposal at the PHC and shall be prepared to discuss their availability for evidentiary hearing.

5. Questions about the hearing date, time, or place, may be directed to the Commission's Calendar Clerk at (415) 703-1203.

Dated October 7, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ JEAN VIETH

Jean Vieth
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Prehearing Conference and Directing Parties to Meet and Confer Beforehand on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated October 7, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

Fannie Sid

N O T I C E

Parties should notify the Process Office, Public Utilities Commission, 505 Van Ness Avenue, Room 2000, San Francisco, CA 94102, of any change of address to insure that they continue to receive documents. You must indicate the proceeding number on the service list on which your name appears.

The Commission's policy is to schedule hearings (meetings, workshops, etc.) in locations that are accessible to people with disabilities. To verify that a particular location is accessible, call: Calendar Clerk (415) 703-1203.

If specialized accommodations for the disabled are needed, e.g., sign language interpreters, those making the arrangements must call the Public Advisor at (415) 703-2074 or TTY# 1-866-836-7825 or (415) 703-5282 at least three working days in advance of the event.